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Gary, Ned and nobody else, please,

Gary has been concerned about my health. My nerves, basis, I suppose. But the rest, if the annual checkup is dependable, better than good. I had the last part today, the procto. The doctor, rather than saying okay, said very good. Now I would suppose such an examination is either good or not good, but I gather from what he said that either he was trying to make me feel good or the part of the canal he examined is in better than average shape, whatever that is. I have had a procto every year with some doctors, every other with this one since a test for occult blood. I delivered the sample for that today, but all the other lab work has been completed.

The doctor went out of his way to say that, considering the kind of life I lead, I'm in good shape.

He also began with another prostate examination, this one with more palpation than that of the physical. There is what seems to be an inconsistency, but I didn't both to inquire on the theory that is his business and on the basis I trust him. He finally told me when I raised the question at the time of the physical that there is some prostate enlargement, but today, for whatever reason, he volunteered that despite the enlargement, I have the gland of a 30-year-old. But if you remember that blackout that had me concerned, I had been notice a difference in urination before then and remember the doctor who then gave me the new checkup asking me if it pained me to urinate. I told him it didn't but ~~in~~ I had noticed that the rate of flow and the beginning were both slower. I suppose that he then had noted some enlargement. Ever so imperceptible, it is gradually deteriorating, if that is the word. If I can't go to the bathroom for a while, the rate of flow at the beginning is barely a trickle. But whatever it is, it apparently is not bad for at this physical several weeks ago the doctor told me there was the enlargement but it is not, I've forgotten the phrase but I think he said acute prostatitis. That is the only thing that showed up, and the exam included an EKG. Everything else is at least normal. However, I must confess that until I put it from my mind, as I am reasonably certain the accumulating new pressures will help accomplish, I find it strange that in size my prostate is that of a 30-year-old (and it think he said rather small for a man of my age) and at the same time enlarged.

Physically, then, I'm okay, and thanks for the interest.

Now, for other reasons I won't go into now, I had arranged for Jim Cesar to meet me there. I had some things for him including a new letter from Ray and my response. We got to talking, and as we rambled I got onto Bob Smith's belated interest in the medical evidence, a fact he disclosed to me several months ago when he started discussing his work on it. Today Jim confirmed that part of his reason was to help Cyril. Now I am aware that this could have been Bud's or Bob's unilateral concept of how to help Cyril. Were it, however, there should have been a beginning with me, for long ago I loaned Bud both existing parts of PM. He never cracked them. He was with me in H.O. when I made the arrangements for Louis to have the use of the stuff they used with Finck in return for xeroxing them for me so I could copyright. He knows in some detail of my work in this area. Therefore, except that everything about the CIA is strange, and that I also acknowledge, it seems to me not the normal thing for them to be duplicating what they know I have exhausted to help Cyril. And they know I have gone much further.

There are many areas upon which Bob could have decided to concentrate. Certainly the medical evidence is a logical one. But when he knows all the work I've done on it, with all the things to be done and not done he duplicates? And to help Cyril? I ask questions. I don't give answers, for I don't know them. But it makes little sense to me. Therefore, I merely report it.

Couldn't get the Archives photog. by phone until the time I had to leave.

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